

WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:

1. A system for removing a pollutant from a roadway, comprising:  
a vehicle; and  
a pollution trap mounted on said vehicle such that a surface of said pollution trap is exposed to a roadway pollutant.
2. The system of Claim 1, wherein said pollution trap comprises a pollutant trap pad.
3. The system of Claim 1, wherein said pollution trap comprises a pollutant trap pad and a housing that holds said pollutant trap pad.
4. The system of Claim 1, wherein said pollution trap is oleophilic.
5. The system of Claim 1, wherein said pollution trap is hydrophobic.
6. The system of Claim 1, wherein said pollution trap is mounted on the wheel well of said vehicle.
7. The system of Claim 1, wherein said pollution trap is mounted on the mud flaps of said vehicle.
8. The system of Claim 1, wherein said pollution trap is mounted on the underside of said vehicle.
9. The system of Claim 1, wherein said pollution trap is mounted on the splash guard of said vehicle.
10. The system of Claim 1, wherein said pollution trap is mounted on a mud flap of said vehicle.
11. The system of Claim 1, wherein said vehicle comprises a plurality of wheels.
12. The system of Claim 11, wherein said vehicle comprises a motor configured to move said vehicle.
13. The system of Claim 11, wherein said vehicle comprises four or more wheels.
14. The system of Claim 1, further comprising a pollutant liberator.
15. The system of Claim 14, wherein said pollutant liberator increases the flow of roadway pollutants to said pollution trap by moving air containing roadway pollutants to said pollution trap.
16. The system of Claim 15, wherein said pollutant liberator comprises a blower.

17. The system of Claim 15, wherein said pollutant liberator comprises a fan.
18. The system of Claim 14, wherein said pollutant liberator creates a vacuum that increases the flow of roadway pollutants to said pollution trap.
19. The system of Claim 1, wherein said pollution trap comprises a plurality of pollutant trap pads.
20. The system of Claim 19, wherein said plurality of pollutant trap pads are formed into a roll of pollutant trap pads.
21. The system of Claim 19, wherein said plurality of pollutant trap pads are formed into a stack of pollutant trap pads.
22. The system of Claim 19, wherein said pollution trap is configured such that the removal of a first pollutant trap pad exposed to the environment exposes a second pollutant trap pad to the environment.
23. The system of Claim 1, wherein said pollutant trap comprises an indicator to signal when said pollutant trap should be changed.
24. The system of Claim 2, wherein said pollutant trap comprises an indicator to signal when said pollutant trap pad should be changed.
25. The system of Claim 24, wherein said indicator comprises a chemical that changes color to signal that said pollutant trap pad should be changed.
26. The system of Claim 1, wherein said pollution trap comprises a filter material.
27. The system of Claim 1, wherein said pollution trap comprises a membrane.
28. The system of Claim 1, wherein said pollution trap comprises a porous material.
29. The system of Claim 1, wherein said pollution trap comprises an anti-biotic coating.
30. The system of Claim 1, wherein said pollution trap pad comprises an anti-biotic coating.
31. A method for removing a pollutant from a roadway surface comprising:  
contacting the system of Claim 1 with a roadway pollutant; and  
capturing the roadway pollutant on the pollution trap.

32. The method of Claim 31, wherein the pollution trap is mounted on the wheel well of said vehicle.

33. The method of Claim 31, wherein the pollution trap is mounted on a mud flap of said vehicle.

34. The method of Claim 31, wherein the pollution trap is mounted on a splash guard of said vehicle.

35. The method of Claim 31, further comprising liberating the roadway pollutant from the roadway surface.

36. The method of Claim 31, further comprising indicating when the pollution trap needs to be serviced.

37. A vehicle comprising:

a pollution trap that collects roadway pollutants; and

an attachment holding the pollution trap on the underside of the vehicle at a position that collects roadway pollutants as they are liberated from the roadway surface.

38. The vehicle of Claim 37, wherein said pollution trap comprises a frame and pad.

39. The vehicle of Claim 37, wherein said pollution trap comprises a pad.

40. The vehicle of Claim 37, wherein said pollution trap is oleophilic.

41. The vehicle of Claim 37, wherein said pollution trap is hydrophobic.

42. The vehicle of Claim 37, wherein said pollution trap is mounted on the wheel well of the vehicle.

43. The vehicle of Claim 37, wherein said pollution trap is mounted on the mud flaps of the vehicle.

44. The vehicle of Claim 37, wherein said pollution trap comprises an anti-biotic material.

45. A roadway pollutant system, comprising:

means for collecting roadway pollutants; and

means for attaching to a vehicle said means for collecting roadway pollutants.

46. The system of Claim 45, further comprising means for liberating the roadway pollutants.